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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER RULE 1.53(b)

03/26 Laht to 37 CFR 1.53(b), please a \square continuation/ \boxtimes divisional Atty Dkt.: 2801-36 of the pending prior PATENT APPLICATION of: C# M# Inventor: FANTO et al Date: March 26, 2001 Serial No. 09/533,381 Group: 1621 Filed: March 22, 2000 Examiner: Barts FOI: 2-AMINOTETRALINES AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS FOR THE PREVENTION AND THERAPEUTIC TREATMENT OF INFLAMMATORY AND/OR **AUTOIMMUNE PATHOLOGIES Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, DC 20231 This request for filing under Rule 53(b) is made by the following named inventor(s) (using the above-identified title): Inventor(s): FANTO et al Attached is a true copy of the prior application as originally filed including the specification, claims, Oath/Declaration and drawings (if any) and abstract (if any). No amendments (if any) referenced in the Oath or Declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 based on the following foreign applications, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application: **Application Number** Day/Month/Year/Filed Country RM97A000568 22 September 1997 Italy PCT/IT98/00252 22 September 1998 certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) attached or already filed on in prior appln. no. IJ. ☐ already filed in PCTIT/98/00252 filed September 22, 1998 Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: -- This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application .--The prior application is assigned to Sigma-Tau Industrie Farmaceutiche Riunite S.p.A.. Power of Attorney has been granted to Arthur R. Crawford et al, Reg. No. 25,327 of Nixon & Vanderhye P.C., 1100 N. Glebe Rd., 8th Floor, Arlington, VA 22201. Address all future communications to: Nixon & Vanderhye P.C., 1100 N. Glebe Rd., 8th Floor, Arlington, VA 22201. Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line --This is a division of application Serial No. 09/533.381, filed March 22, 2000, now pending, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application .--This application is entitled to "Small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached. Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency. The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or Examiner for the reasons stated therein. Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee: **Attached Preliminary Amentment** ☐ The entire disclosure of the prior application above-referenced is considered as being part of the disclosure of this new application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein. ; Non-Publication Request; Other: FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HEREWITH CANCELED Basic Filing Fee 710.00 Total effective claims 9 - 20 (at least 20) = x \$ 18.00 \$ 0.00 9 -3 (at least 3) = x \$ 80.00 Independent claims 6 \$ 480.00 If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$270.00 (ignore improper) 0.00 SUBTOTAL 1190.00 **TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$** 1190.00 Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-**1140.** A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor **NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.** Arlington, Virginia 22201-4714 By Atty: Arthur R. Crawford Telephone: (703) 816-4000 Facsimile: (703) 816-4100 ARC:pfc Signature:

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